

**Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribe  
FY15 Mid-Year Report of UIC 1425 Program  
June 2015**

**Review Current Work Plan**

**I. COMMITMENTS**

**1.1 New and reissue permits (5 existing required)**

- Redrafted all of the East Poplar Unit injection permits, 2 for Darrah oil and the Fort Peck Tribes, for a total of 8 draft permits. Permits have been sent out for public notice, except for the EPU 5D and EPU 1D; waiting for EPA to review AE requests
- (14) SWD well permits have been reissued. All wells will be re-permitted after the public notice for the 5D
- Received one blanket comment stating “wants no injection”; Fort Peck Environmental responded and acknowledged receiving the comment
- Have received test results from recent issued permit conditions
- Not taking Bakken water for disposal
- CO<sub>2</sub> injection project successful but have to bring CO<sub>2</sub> in via rail, impacting the economics of the project
- Anadarko needs additional injection capacity

**1.2 ANNUAL INSPECTIONS AND MITs**

- (8) MITs witnessed
- (7) Inspections for end of month
- (0) step rate tests witnessed

**1.3 Enforcement (inspections, file reviews, MITs, operator notifications, public notifications)**

- 8 Routine MIT's
- Annual Reports have been submitted, except for one
- One transfer has been pending Financial Responsibility (Petro Hunt Stensland L&L 12-B-1, and the Wolf Point Tribal)
- FR issues regarding releasing funding for:
  - Philip Red Eagle 2-25 – EPA need to release FR to Tribes as the operator has been declared unresponsive by EPA. Tribes have successfully plugged this well and have incurred the costs of plugging. Still waiting for EPA to make a determination on this well. EPA recently released funds to Tribe.
  - Coalridge Luster SWD – This well is involve in a estate dispute. FR has not been established and needs to be completed.
  - Larslan SWD – can't pass MIT so currently shut in, enforcement order initiated, in negotiation with operator. Still no resolution; issue with the CD. Kimberly Pardue-Welch will follow up with

EPA attorney on next steps; Deb Madison agreed to send Kimberly copy of order.

#### **1.4 UIC Database**

- NEIEN grant approved and initiated this period; \$200,000 approved and Presenting at the Exchange Network Conference
- Site visit by contractor scheduled for April; met 1<sup>st</sup> objective for grant
- Contract may have a NODE available for use on another tribal project and reviewing permit generator.

#### **1.5 Aquifer Exemptions**

- (1) Aquifer Exemption in East Poplar Unit
- Database has been updated with TDS and volumes injected for all SWD wells
- Not taking Bakken Water for disposal

#### **1.6 Training and meetings**

- No activity this period
- Requests RTS and CBL training

#### **1.7 Hydraulic Fracturing with diesel**

- Fort peck Environmental not aware of HF with diesel currently happening
- Gulf Canada in the past used diesel for HF
- Fort Peck Environmental agreed to inform EPA if they receive a request to HF with diesel